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## LOST BARGES ARE IN PORT

Rejoicing of Shipping Men Over the Arrival of the New Jersey and Liberty.

### DUAL OFFICERS IN WARWICK

Superintendent of Poor Recently Elected Cannot Get Office Because Old Officer Holds Over.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Jan. 5.—The tug Navigator arrived in port to-day with the barges New Jersey and Liberty, which were believed to have been lost in the great storm of Sunday morning. The captain of the tug reported his arrival to the Scully Transportation Company, which owns the vessels, and the crews of the tug and the barges and their crews were received by the local shipping men with delight.

The schooner Addie M. Lawrence, which arrived in port yesterday, reported that the tug Navigator was patrolling the coast, searching for the two barges, which she had lost in the storm. From the report it was feared that both of the barges had gone down with all on board. Nothing more was heard until the vessels arrived to-day.

**RODE OUT THE GALE.**  
The tug was bound for Providence with the barges, each of which is laden with 2,500 tons of coal. The barge captains say that they anchored during the gale and that, although they were roughly handled by the elements, they were in no very great danger of being lost at any time.

As soon as the weather moderates the vessels will make another start on their voyage.

**DUAL OFFICERS.**  
A legal fight of unusual interest is in progress in Warwick county. James Garrow and Robert C. Curtis are contending for possession of the poorhouse. Curtis was elected in the recent election and has qualified before Judge Montague for the office. Garrow claims that under a recent act of the Legislature he holds over, and therefore refuses to surrender his charge to the newly elected officer. The matter was unofficially brought to the attention of Judge Montague yesterday, but his Honor refused to give a decision. It is probable that the case will be taken up and disposed of during the January term of the County Court, the last term which will be held by Judge Montague before his court goes out of existence.

**DAMAGE SUIT.**  
The case of Jennie E. Scott, administratrix, against the city of Newport News is set for trial in the Corporation Court Thursday. The plaintiff sues for \$10,000 damages on account of the death of her four-year-old son, who was drowned in a hole on Huntington Avenue some time ago. Messrs. Jeffries and Lawless, of Norfolk, are the attorneys for the plaintiff. City Attorney Massie represents the city.

### WAYLAIED AND FROZEN.

Washington Guards to Raise Funds to Go to St. Louis.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., Jan. 5.—Mr. J. Smith while returning from this city to his home near Leesland, Stafford county, was attacked by an unknown party, who, after robbing him of his money and left in an unconscious condition on the side of the road, and when found his hands were badly frozen.

Messrs. Silas P. Gouldin and Robert Campbell, two young men of Caroline county, who have been living within twenty miles of this city all their lives, were here this week for the first time. The military of this city, Company L, Seventeenth Virginia Regiment, known locally as the Washington Guards, will hold a big bazaar, commencing next Monday night and continuing through the week. The proceeds will go towards the fund which is now accumulating to defray the expenses of the company on a trip to the St. Louis Exposition.

This has been a longer spell of continued cold weather here than for many years. Three nights past the thermometer has fallen to five above zero, and much inconvenience has been experienced from frozen water pipes. Ice has formed to a great thickness, and most of the country people have filled their ice houses. Here in the city the people depend upon the ice factories.

Mr. R. R. Mason, of Locust Grove, Orange county, with his family, has moved to this city to reside. Mr. Mason has recently purchased property here.

Mr. N. Deaton, of Stafford county, who is enlisted as a blacksmith in the United States army, and served three years in the Philippines, has received an honorable discharge and returned to his former home to reside.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McCulley, of this city, have gone to Elizabeth, Pa., and will make their home there.

Miss Edmonia Walker died yesterday at her home here of pneumonia, after a brief illness. She was a daughter of the late Harris Walker.

Mrs. Elizabeth Turner is dead after a lingering illness of cancer of the stomach, aged fifty years.

### THE CRISMOND TRIAL.

Illness of Commonwealth's Attorney Causes It to Go Over.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., Jan. 5.—The trial of J. P. H. Crismond, former clerk of the court of Spotsylvania county, on several indictments, commenced in the County Court to-day.

R. L. Gordon, of Louisa, is assisting in the prosecution. St. George's church, of this city, is counsel for Crismond. Some sharp words passed between these gentlemen to-day during the trial. Commonwealth's Attorney Lee J. Graves was taken suddenly ill this afternoon, causing an adjournment of the court until to-morrow.

A large crowd is present. The case will probably occupy several days.

### MEHERRIN DISPENSARY.

Keeper Appointed and Liquor Bought to Supply Demand.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
MEHERRIN, Va., Jan. 5.—The Dispensary Board met on Saturday afternoon. There was quite a wrangle over the office of keeper. Mr. T. C. Haskins and E. A. Owen were the candidates. The board decided in favor of the former. Prominent Richmond houses had men here ready to take orders for the supply of liquor. The board was not fixed by the board at this meeting, but will be fixed after the first meeting in accordance with the amount sold.

## FOR DAY OF NINE HOURS

Norfolk's Labor Candidate Will Present a Bill as Soon as He Gets Here.

### MRS. WALKÉ WAS OFFENDED

The Daughters of Confederacy Will Change Constitution in Order to Put Her at Head.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 5.—William H. Gunn, one of Norfolk's new delegates, who is known as a representative "labor" man, says one of the first things he proposes to do is to offer a bill making nine hours a day's work on State contracts and other work done for the Commonwealth. He says he proposes to be conservative and not insist upon an eight hour day.

The local chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy held a warm meeting to-day. It was presided over by Mrs. James Y. Leigh, national treasurer. It was the desire of the ladies to re-elect Mrs. Frank Anthony Walke chairman of the Auxiliary, but as she had withdrawn from the senior chapter, it was impossible under the constitution. She left the meeting, and stated that the presiding officer had offended her.

The ladies deeply regret the incident, and will, if necessary, amend the constitution in order to give Mrs. Walke the chairmanship of the large Auxiliary which she has built up.

**JUNIATA SAFE.**  
Disquieting rumors regarding the Merchants' and Miners' Union, Junata, due credit to the management of the line, and the ship is to-day in her berth at the foot of Main Street in Norfolk, uninjured.

The Junata made her usual running time and the company's officials were rather surprised at the fears expressed in Boston for her safety.

The big army dredge Benyard, the construction of which, begun at the Trigg yard, in Richmond, is being completed here, was placed in dry-dock at this navy-yard to-day.

The tug Hercules, which was sent from the navy-yard to the scene of the Moccasin's stranding, to help pull her off the beach, has returned in distress. She dragged her anchors in the terrific gale of a few nights ago and was picked up by a passing steamer.

The Castleman court-martial is still in session to-day. The evidence taken is said to be interesting, but civilians and others not members of the court or witnesses before it are rigidly barred from it.

**JUSTICE TEMPERED WITH MERCY.**  
Justice was tempered with mercy in the cases of three boy burglars tried in the Corporation Court to-day. They pleaded guilty to the charge of robbing the store of J. B. Armstrong in Commercial Place, the heart of the business district. Each of them will have to remain in jail one day, and pay \$5 fine. William Wolf, in whose case mitigating circumstances appear, will have to remain at home under strict parental surveillance. His father is a policeman, John Rodgers and Edward Pitt, thirteen years old each, will have to remain in the State reform school until they have learned a trade.

### FIRES IN MECKLENBURG.

Two Valuable Dwellings Burn. Col. Goode Goes to Florida.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
BOXTON, Va., Jan. 5.—Two valuable dwellings were destroyed in Mecklenburg last week. One of them was owned and occupied by Ida Harris, nee Buffalo Lithia Springs. The fire originated from a spark falling on the roof. Most of the furniture was saved, but the family lost the larger part of a very valuable set of chamber furniture, which was stored in an upper room. The loss is estimated at \$800. The other dwelling burned was the residence of the late Kit Gayle, and owned by Kit Gayle's son, William Wolf, in whose case mitigating circumstances appear, will have to remain at home under strict parental surveillance. His father is a policeman, John Rodgers and Edward Pitt, thirteen years old each, will have to remain in the State reform school until they have learned a trade.

### TRAIN'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Ran Over Obstructions Placed on the Track.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Jan. 5.—An attempt was made to wreck the incoming passenger train from Roanoke on the Norfolk and Western Railroad near May, about last night. The engine ran into a rock larger than a man's head, and a plank about 15 feet long, which had been placed upon the track by unknown parties. The train stopped suddenly, the result being that the passengers were unharmed and the train was delayed about an hour or more.

There is no clue to the guilty parties. An investigation is being conducted.

### Church Burned.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
STOKELY, Va., Jan. 5.—Episcopal Baptist Church, Campbell county, was burned this afternoon.

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## WEDDING IN PETERSBURG

St. Paul's Episcopal Church the Scene of a Brilliant Ceremony and Marriage Tableau.

### MISS GILLIAM THE BRIDE

Steamer Tourist Has to Cut Her Way Through Ice on Her Trip to Norfolk.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PETERSBURG, Va., Jan. 5.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church was the scene of a brilliant marriage this evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Miss Isabella Cuthbert Gilliam, the daughter of Mr. Robert Gilliam, becoming the wife of Dr. W. Hamilton Crockett, a prominent young physician of Dorchester, Va. Miss Mary Gilliam, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mrs. John Tebbis Crockett, of Richmond, Va., was the dame of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Jones, of the University of Virginia, with Miss Mollie Bowden, of Petersburg; Miss Grisselle Mullen and Miss Mary Bunting, Miss Bessie Braxton, of Richmond, Va.; and Miss Nellie Gilliam; Miss Rebecca Friend, of Richmond, Va.; and Miss Blanche Crockett, of Raleigh, N. C.; Miss Mary C. Gilliam and Miss Nellie Braxton, of Richmond, Va.

The bride entered the church with her father, and at the altar was met by the groom, with his best man, his brother, Mr. J. Frank Crockett, of New York. Little Charlotte Gilliam, sister of the bride, was the flower girl, and little Mary Anderson Gilliam and Richard Gilliam, ribbon bearers.

The ushers were Dr. Arthur Putnam Kirby, of Danvers, Mass.; Dr. William Under of Matthews, Va.; Dr. Spottswood Parker, of Portsmouth; Mr. Percy W. Crockett, of the University of Virginia; Mr. J. Tebbis Crockett and Mr. Robert Crockett, of Richmond, Va.; and Miss Blanche Crockett, of Raleigh, N. C.; Mr. Robert Bragg Pritchard and Herbert Pritchard, all of Petersburg.

The wedding ceremony was solemnized by the pastor, the Rev. O. S. Huntington, who read a vested choir song "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden."

**UNIFORMED KNIGHTS.**  
Friday night Petersburg Company, No. 10, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, will hold their regular drill and election officers for the ensuing year. At this time they will decide whether or not they will enter the competitive drill to be held in Petersburg February 10th for the prize to be awarded the best drilled company of the Virginia Brigade by the Grand Lodge of Virginia. The commissions of the following officers will expire this week: Ashleigh B. Moody, captain; Henry V. Farham, first lieutenant; George A. Bowman, second lieutenant. The positions thus made vacant will be warmly contested for.

The Budd Home place, near Petersburg, has been purchased by Joseph Stratton, of Crystal, N. D., who contemplates continuing the dairy business hitherto conducted on the property.

### COLDEST DAY.

This has been the coldest day experienced by Petersburg this winter, the

thermometer registering ten degrees above zero. The river was frozen over and in leaving for Norfolk this morning the steamer Tourist had to cut her way out.

An important letter is held at the police station for Max Block, whose friends desire to communicate with him at once. Diphtheria is reported prevalent in several parts of Dinwiddie county, several deaths resulting from the disease in the five Forts section.

### TRAFFIC BLOCKED.

Potomac River Points Cut Off From the Cities.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
COMORN, Va., Jan. 5.—Saturday night's and Sunday's terrible gale has caused the greatest inconvenience and annoyance here. Persons bound for Alexandria and Washington waited at the landings on the Potomac River all day yesterday for the steamer Harry Randall, en route for the cities, but returned disappointed. It was reported here that the steamer could not leave her harbor down the river. A number of King Georgians are in Washington, and expect to have to return by way of Fredericksburg.

There is considerable ice on both the Potomac and Rappahannock to-day, and if the weather continues as at present, all navigation will soon be shut off.

Mr. H. B. Baker, of this place, has just received an invitation to the marriage of his niece, Miss Charlotte Reed, in Washington, on Wednesday, the 6th instant, and is among the number of people puzzled as to how to get to the national capital city.

Mr. John King, of this place, is in a precarious condition to-day, and it is feared that he cannot recover.

### DIED FROM HIS WOUND.

Arm Amputated Twice on Account of Gangrene.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PORT HAYWOOD, Va., Jan. 5.—John Owens, son of Mr. Alex. Owens, of Matthews county, an interesting and popular young man, came to his death from a shotgun wound in the hands of one of his kinsmen during the Christmas holidays in a way purely accidental.

Robert H. Lane, of this place, had his arm above the elbow though not broken, was broken, and in a few days found it necessary to take the balance of the arm at the shoulder, and while his friends hoped for his recovery, to their surprise, he died of pneumonia January 2d.

His funeral was conducted yesterday from the residence, by Rev. John O. Moss.

### BANK AT RICHLANDS.

A Branch of the Interstate Finance and Trust Company.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
TAYLORVILLE, Va., Jan. 5.—A bank began business at Richlands to-day with General R. A. Ayers, as president, and his son, Mr. James Ayers, as cashier. The bank is located in the old store building which was occupied some years ago by the Bank of Richlands. It is a branch of the Interstate Finance and Trust Company, of Big Stone Gap.

### Stocking Party.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
SPOTT SPRINGS, Va., Jan. 5.—Miss Ella Bloxton entertained Wednesday evening at "Poplar Springs," the country home of Mr. C. B. Bloxton. There was much merry-making and scenes of mistletoe and Christmas greens.

Twenty-six invited guests were present. The invitations were sent out on stocking-shaped cards. The hostess was dressed as Santa Claus and received the guests at the door. She was assisted in entering by her brother, Dr. Ben-

jamin Bloxton, of Richmond. Printed Christmas verses were cut in six places each and scattered promiscuously about the parlor. These pieces were to be matched and all the verses put together right. Each group of six were requested to write a short story, using the verses as their subject. Misses Ella Cheatham, Annie Robertson, Misses Ellison, Mary Robertson, Messrs. W. C. Chilton, Will Spencer formed the group having the best story. They were awarded a prize, an automatic clown, which afforded the company great pleasure. The entertainment brought all the guests together, and none felt as if they were left out.

While the merry-making was going on in the parlor Santa Claus slipped out into the dining room and prepared for "light" refreshments, which was a table set with Christmas tree candies. Before they had fully recovered from this joke they were ushered into an adjoining room, where there was a Christmas tree illuminated with candles on which hung thirty small, bright stockings and many presents. Among the guests had been distributed pieces of paper containing the number and descriptive name of the present they would receive—such as, (1) "A modern fire escape" (a small table), (2) "Peanuts for a crowd" (three peanuts), a school teacher receiving "Points in teaching," nicely bound (pen points, well wrapped), (3) "Three pictures of a monkey at a Christmas tree" (small folding mirror). On receiving these each one came forward and unwrapped it where all could see, creating much laughter and fun.

It now being past 12 o'clock, the guests hastened to take their departure, many being surprised at the quickness with which the time had flown, and expressed themselves as having spent a most enjoyable evening.

### CHANGE MANAGEMENT.

New Regime at Henry Clay Inn.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ASHLAND, Va., Jan. 5.—The actual change of management of the Henry Clay Inn took place to-day. A complete change in the operating force was made, colored help being substituted for white.

Mr. Moore, former clerk, became manager. A housekeeper is yet to be selected. Miss Maize, the retiring manager, left to-day to take charge of the Methodist Orphanage at Richmond.

Earl Quarles, the youngest son of Mr. Graham Quarles, of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, who was hurt Saturday last by a horse, was removed to Richmond to the Virginia Hospital to be operated on for concussion of the brain.

The young ladies of Ashland will give a leap year germ at the Henry Clay Inn January 14th.

### TELEPHONE MEETING.

Line to be Extended From Etna Mills to Hanover Courthouse.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ETNA MILLS, Va., Jan. 5.—The stockholders of the Richmond and Aylett Telephone Company met in annual session at Etna Mills to-day. Mr. Lucian P. Haw was appointed a committee of one to solicit subscription to the capital stock of the company, and collect money to extend the line from Etna Mills to Hanover.

### YOUNG MAN DROWNED WHILE SKATING.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
TAPPANNOCK, Va., Jan. 5.—Mr. Henry Faircloth, only son of Colonel B. L. Faircloth, was drowned while skating on an ice pond near Montague,

this evening. A number of men were getting ice, and the young man was skating around.

He was missed by the ice getters. They found his hat on the ice and later found his body, but too late to save him. He leaves a wife and one child.

### VIRGINIA BREVITIES.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LYNCHBURG, Va., Jan. 5.—While at work on a bridge on the Southern Railway, now being built by the Phoenix Bridge Company, E. L. Truitt, an employee, fell from a lofty temporary structure, and, striking on the ice which covered the river, sustained a broken arm and concussion of the brain, which, it is thought, will prove fatal.

Lynchburg, Va.—The new year opened with a severe thunder storm Saturday night in New Kent. The lightning struck a tree a few yards from Falmouth Church, and a fireman on the Southern Railroad, while coupling cars, had his fingers cut and badly mangled here Monday.

COMORN, Va.—Rev. J. R. Thomas, who, several weeks ago, resigned the pastorate of Potomac Baptist Church here, has recommended his action and will continue to serve the church.

BOWLING WHARF, Va.—The Rappahannock river is frozen across at this place, and it was with much difficulty that the Baltimore steamer reached Tappanmock.

ROANOKE, Va.—William H. Sisson, agent of the Hotel, James Hotel was arrested this morning, charged with betraying Miss Odessa Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Gray, of Ford county. The matter was finally compromised by marriage. Both parties are from Floyd county and are well connected.

## FREE To Children.

Any child sending us 50 blue coupons taken from packages of Quaker Gelatine will be sent free, one set of Uncle Sam's Cigarettes, containing a photograph of every President from Washington to Roosevelt and three of his cabinet. The latest, best and most popular game, worth \$50, in any family.

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